GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

PUBLIC SERVICES - Revenue Department - Initiation of disciplinary proceedings against Sri Bh.Bhavani Shankar, the then RDO, Vizianagaram and 4 other Tahsildars of Vizianagaram District for submitting irregular reports to the Joint Collector and also not protecting the Government land – Disciplinary proceedings under Rule 24 and r/w Rule - 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991 – Articles of charge framed – Written Statement of Defence received - IA appointed- Inquiry Report received – Inquiry report communicated under Rule 21(2) of APCS(CC&A) Rules, 1991 – Explanation received - Further Action dropped against Sri Bh.Bhavani Shankar, the then RDO, Vizianagaram - Orders - Issued.

REVENUE (VIGILANCE - I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 1265 **Dated: 16-10-2025**

Read the following:

1.From G.A(SC.D) Dept., U.O.Note.No.GAD01-PERSOIAS/34/2022-AS-PERS, dt: 16.08.2023 along with the Preliminary enquiry report submitted by Sri Babu, IAS, Inquiry Authority & MD, A.P Diary Development corporation, Mangalagiri .
2.Memo.No.LANA0CCLV(DISC)/61/2023, Rev.(Vig.I) dept., dt: 19.10.2023
3.From the District Collector, Vizianagaram, Rc.NO. 858/2022/A7, dt: 10.02.2024
4.From the O/O CCLA, e-file REV02-27/5/2024-VIGILANCE I SEC-CCLA
5. G.O.Ms.No.154, Revenue (Vig.I) Dept., Dt.02.05.2024
6. G.O.Rt.No.414, Revenue (Vig.I) Dept., Dt.02.05.2024
7. WSDs received from the Charged Officers,30-07-2024
8. G.O.Rt.No.784, Revenue (Vig.I) Dept., Dt.06.11.2024
9. G.O.Rt.No.785, Revenue (Vig.I) Dept., Dt.06.11.2024
10. From the Joint Collector & Inquiry Authority, Vizianagaram, Rc.No. 2717/ 2024/A7, Dt.19.02.2025.
11.Govt.,Memo No REV01-LANA0CCLV(DISC)/61/2023-VIG-I, Dt11.08.2025.
12..From Sri Bh.Bhavani Shankar, the then RDO, Vizianagaram (Presently DRO, Visakhapatnam, Explanation Dt.12.08.2025.

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ORDER:

Whereas, In the reference 5th read above, common disciplinary proceedings Under Rule-24 of APCS (CC&A) Rules-1991 have been initiated against Sri Bh.Bhavani Shankar, the then RDO, Vizianagaram alongwith 4 other Tahsildars of Vizianagaram District for submitting irregular reports to the to Sri G.Ch.Kishore Kumar,I.A.S,Joint Collector, Vizianagaram and also not protecting the Government land. In the reference 6th read above Article of charges have been framed against Sri Bh.Bhavani Shankar, the then RDO, Vizianagaram under rule-20 of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991 on the irregularity that he has submitted reports on two different dates, he hasn't referred the first letter dt.26.02.2021 in his second letter dt.26.03.2021 pertaining to land in Sy.No.204 extent of Ac.5.51cents of Gudepuvalasa Village, Bhogapuram Mandal.. In the reference 7th read above the C.O has submitted his explanation which is not convincing.

2. Whereas, in the reference 8th and 9th read above, Government have ordered for a regular enquiry by appointing Joint collector, Vizianagaram and DRO Vizianagaram as Inquiry Authority and Presenting Officer ited to inquire into the charges framed against the charged officers.

3. Whereas, in the reference 10th read above, the Joint Collector, Visakhapatnam District cum inquiry authority, after conducting detailed enquiry, has submitted his inquiry report holding the charges and held the charge against the C.O as "Not Proved". After examination of the Inquiry report vide reference 11th read above a copy of the Inquiry Report has been communicated to all the charged officers including C.O Sri Sri Bh.Bhavani Shankar, the then RDO, Vizianagaram (Presently DRO, Visakhapatnam as required under Rule-21(2) of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991. In reply the C.O has submitted his explanation vide reference 12th read above.

4. And whereas, Government, after careful examination of the explanation as per scheme of vigilance and with reference to the findings of the Inquiry Authority hereby decided to drop further action against Sri Bh.Bhavani Shankar, the then RDO, Vizianagaram (Presently DRO, Visakhapatnam.

5. Accordingly, Government hereby drop further action in disciplinary proceedings against Sri Bh.Bhavani Shankar, the then RDO, Vizianagaram (Presently DRO, Visakhapatnam).

6. The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration & Spl.CS, A.P., Vijayawada shall take necessary further action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

G.JAYALAKSHMI
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (LANDS)(FAC)

To
Sri Bh.Bhavani Shankar, the then RDO, Vizianagaram (Presently DRO, Visakhapatnam (Through Chief Commissioner of Land Administration &Spl.CS, A.P)
The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration& SPl.CS, AP., Vijayawada.
Copy to:
The District Collector, Vizianagaram/Visakhapatnam.
The General Administration (SC-B) Department, A.P., Secretariat, Velagapudi.
The Revenue (Services-I) Department, A.P., Secretariat, Velagapudi.
The OSD to Hon'ble Minister (Revenue, R&S)
The PS to Special CS to Government (Lands).
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SECTION OFFICER